GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

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USE OF DYNAMITE IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the mining work being undertaken by using dynamite in Rajasthan is causing heavy damage to the rabi crops and the milch cattle besides the innocent wild animals are also being killed following the such destructive mining method;

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to save crops and milch cattle of the farmers besides the wild animals; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (Dr.T.SUBBARAMI REDDY)

(a) to (c): As per information made available by the State Government of Rajasthan, no complaint has been received regarding damage to the rabi crop and killing of milch cattles and wild animals by blasting of dynamite.
As per information given by Ministry of Environment and Forests, no new mines are approved within 25 meters from the boundaries of forest area in Rajasthan.